

the prosecution by registering officers of personal interrogations on points regarding which the law does not oblige the parties to give information is greatly to be deprecated. There is nothing more likely to render registration unpopular and to contract the business of the Department. Local Governments should see that any general instructions of this description, which may have been issued, are withdrawn. (G. I., H. D., No. 36-1174-85, dated 1st September 1883; *vide* G. R. No. 7507, dated 8th October 1883.)

#### IV.—REGISTRATION DISTRICTS AND SUB-DISTRICTS.\*

1. Under Section 5† of Registration Act VIII of 1871, His Excellency the Honourable the Governor in Council is pleased to order that on and from the 1st of October 1872, the British territory at Aden shall be formed into a district for the purposes of the above-named Act. The limits of the Aden District shall be the limits of the territory now in occupation at Aden, and shall include the Cantonment, Fortress, Port, Town, and Suburbs actually in possession of the British authorities. His Excellency in Council is further pleased, under Section 6 of Act VIII of 1871, to appoint the First Assistant Resident at Aden, or the officer acting in that capacity, *ex-officio* Registrar of Assurances for the Aden District, on and from the date of the introduction of the above-named Act into that place. (G. N. dated 3rd July 1872; *vide* G. R. No. 3184 of the same date.)

2. Under Section 5 of the Indian Registration Act, No. VIII of 1871, His Excellency the Honourable the Governor in Council is pleased to order that on and from the 1st of July 1875 a Registration Sub-District shall be formed at Aden. The limits of the Aden Sub-District shall be conterminous with those of the District of Aden as prescribed in the Notification dated 3rd July and published at page 839 of the *Government Gazette* of 4th July 1872. (G. N., dated 14th June 1875; *vide* G. R. No. 3362 of the same date.)

3. In exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 5 and 7 of the Indian Registration Act, No. III of 1877, and in supersession of all previous notifications regarding the Registration District and Sub-District of Bombay and the office of Registrar and Sub-Registrar therein, the Governor in Council is pleased to direct that, with effect on and after the 1st January 1888, (a) the City of Bombay, as defined in the Bombay General Clauses Act, 1886, shall be a Registration District and also a Registration Sub-District; (b) the office of the Sub-Registrar of Bombay shall be amalgamated with that of the Registrar of Bombay; (c) the said Sub-Registrar shall exercise, in addition to his own powers and

+ Cf Section 5 of the Indian Registration Act, 1877.

\* Most of the Notifications regarding the Registration Districts and Sub-Districts in this Presidency have not been reproduced here, being not of sufficient general importance.

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duties, all the powers and duties of the Registrar of Bombay, except the power to hear an appeal against an order passed by himself under the said Act. (G. N. No. 8531, dated 16th December 1887.)

4. With reference to Sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 of the Indian Registration Act III of 1877, as extended to the Cantonment of Deesa, the Governor General in Council is pleased to make the following orders:—

(1) All the powers and duties conferred and imposed by the Act upon the Inspector General of Registration shall be exercised and performed within the Cantonment of Deesa by the Inspector General of Registration of the Bombay Presidency.

(2) For the purposes of the Act the Cantonment of Deesa shall form a District and also a Sub-District.

(3) The Political Superintendent of Pálanpur for the time being shall be the Registrar and the Cantonment Magistrate of Deesa for the time being the Sub-Registrar of the said District and Sub-District, respectively.

(4) The office of the Political Superintendent of Pálanpur for the time being shall be the office of the Registrar and the office of the Cantonment Magistrate of Deesa for the time being that of the Sub-Registrar. \* \* \* (G. I. Notification, Foreign Department, No. 2734-I., dated 5th July 1888; *vide* G. N. No. 4614 dated 11th idem.)

5. In exercise of the powers conferred by Government of India's Notification No. 402-I. of 1885, republished at page 156 of the *Bombay Government Gazette* of 12th February 1885, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased, under Section 7 of the Indian Registration Act of 1877, to direct that on and after 1st of October 1888 the office of the Sub-Registrar of the Deesa Registration Sub-District, as declared by the Government of India's Notification No. 2734-I of 1888, republished at page 574 of the *Bombay Government Gazette* of 12th July 1888, shall be amalgamated with the office of the Registrar of the Registration District of Deesa, as declared in the said Notification. His Excellency the Governor in Council is further pleased, under the said section, to authorise the Sub-Registrar of Deesa to exercise and perform, in addition to his own duties, all the powers and duties of the said Registrar of Deesa except the power of hearing appeals. (G. N. No. 6369, dated 21st September 1888.)

V.—REGISTRARS.

1. The status of *ex-officio* Registrars of their districts is nowhere assigned in the Act to Collectors and Acting Collectors. Therefore, when an officer is appointed to be or to act as Collector of a District, it will be notified by Government that he has also been appointed to be or to act as Registrar of his District. (G. R. No. 1151, dated 4th March 1878.)

The duty of appointing some one to carry on the duties of District Registrars during the temporary